



**RULE 116 AMENDMENT
RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Allen Dean Mammel
Serial No.: 09/398,987
Filing Date: September 17, 1999
Group Art Unit: 3643
Examiner: ROWAN, Kurt C.
Title: NO-TIE FISHING SYSTEM AND METHOD

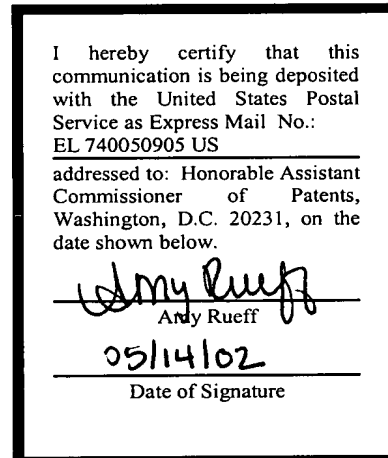
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Dear Sir:



RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 15, 2002, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendment to put this Application in condition for allowance. Please amend the Application as follows:

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

For the convenience of the Examiner, all pending claims of the present application are shown below in clean form whether or not an amendment has been made.